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Income from Farm Household
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the average farm household earns less than Rs.6500 a month from all sources of income in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is of the opinion that this is sufficient for a family to survive and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government has any plans/schemes to support the farming community and if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a) to (c): As per the "Situation Assessment Survey of Agricultural Households" conducted by National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) in 2013, the average monthly income per agricultural household from various sources is estimated to be Rs.6426. State-wise details are given in the Annexure.

With a view to improve the economic condition of farmers, various schemes are being implemented by the Government for increasing farm production and productivity; and for doubling farmers' income. These include, inter-alia, Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana, Soil Health Card, Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana, Neem Coated Urea, creation of a unified national agriculture market (e-Nam), etc. Further, the Minimum Support Price (MSP) of major agricultural commodities have been increased to ensure remunerative price to the farmers. Government has also focused on the aggregation of small and marginal farmers into groups for overcoming market imperfections and for releasing better prices for their produce.